

method for playing in a casino game". The Applicant's amended claims are clearly directed to securing the house and this is not taught in the references to unregulated casino type games.

It is most appreciated that the Examiner has not made the official action final and that the Examiner considered the Applicant's response of March 8, 2001. Reconsideration and prompt allowance of the amended claims is earnest solicited and respectfully requested. Should there remain any questions the Examiner is asked to call the undersigned, (702) 263-1613.

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